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FAMILY DINNER THIS FRIDAY

Family Night will again be held this Friday with the church family coming together for a pot-luck supper. A special program has been a rranged for the Easter Season with Rev. Moser showing his slides of Jerusalem and other countries of the Middle East. All are invited to come out for this evening of fellowship.

SPECIAL OFFERING TO BE TAKEN ON SUNDAY

This Sunday has been designated as our time to share in the One Great Hour Of Sharing. This special offering is being taken in Presbyterian Churches and many other denominations to help those in need throughout the world. Parents are reminded to bring or send back the special banks that were given out in our church school several weeks ago. Remember that this Sunday it will time to Share.

THE REV. ROLAND ROSSON TO PREACH HERE

Bringing the morning sermon this Sunday will be the Rev. Roland Rosson of the Presbyterian Church in Metlakatla. Mr. Rosson is returning to seminary this summer after four years of service in Alaska . He has been a good friend of this church and we have asked himto preach to us before leaving.

S.J.S. CHOIR COMING

On Monday (March 24th) at 8:00 p.m. the choir from Sheldon Jackson Junior College will present a concert in our church. All who heard them last year remember how outstanding this choir is and how fortunate we are to have them again. Plans for the evening include a reception honoring the choir after the concert and feeding the choir members their suppers in our homes. If you desire choir members for supper guests on Monday plea se get in touch with Mrs. Wesley Morrison.

PALM SUNDAY IS MARCH 30th

Plans are already under way for our worship service on Palm Sunday. Our choir is working on an anthem to fit the service, the sacrament of adult baptism will be observed, new members will be coming into our fellowship, and a coffee hour will follow the morning service. As special guests we will have several teachers present from Sheldon Jackson Jr. College.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Past & Present activities around the church include:

Choir: Easter always means a fine concert by our choir and this year's concert promised to be no exception. A special program of music has been arranged and the choir has been meeting on Monday night at the Kindred home and Thursday night in the church.

Basketball: The Ketchikan Church Basketball League has just finished another fine season with our Juniors winning their league. A post-season trip to Metlakatla saw our Juniors again winning and the Seniors losing. A dinner honoring both teams will be held in the immediate future.

Women's Association: Very good reports are being heard about the new program in the Women's Association. Those sewing have already finished many articles for the May 9th sale, and new understanding and inspiration is coming from the studies in Luke. Several important items of business are on the agenda for next Tuesday's Association meeting including the election of delegates to Presbyterial.

Men's Group: With the slogan, "If the women can do it, we can too" several of the men in the church ave decided to organize a chapter of Presbyterian Men. One meeting has already been held and the next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 26th. Program arrangements are being handled by Bill Hamilton and all men are invited.

Jr. Choir: Our Jr. Choir will again sing at the Easter Service and all Juniors are reminded of their practice at 1:00 p.m. Saturdays. Helping with the choir is Mrs. Wm. Kindred and Mrs. Ed. Bergeron.

Trustees: Publicity is out for the Deluxe Ham Dinner to be served by the Trustees on March 28th. This is another of the fund raising dinners for the building fund and, from all reports, promises to be the best yet.

Deacons: One of the most active groups around the church is the newly enlarged board of deacons. Since their election at the annual meeting they have: helped two families, sponsored a coffee hour after church, organized thenselves into seven committees, and, after studding about making calls upon the sick, are starting this week to call in the hospital each week. Several other projects are being considered with the aim of making people welcome in the church, having them get to know each other, and every member having some responsibility in the church program. Mr. Brit Ash is the newly elected vice chairman of the board.

Elders: Recent actions of the session include: election of Mrs. Edna Warner and Pat Verney to attend Presbytery as delegate and alternate, to again sponser a booth on the 4th of July with profits going to the building fund, copleting a study of the church roll and bringing the suspended list up to date, and to start a program of training for elders that will include one night a month for study, help in the morning worship service & preaching once a month at the evening service.

Westminster Fellowship: Plans are being made for Rainbow Glacier Camp this summer and for the Easter Sunrise Service. The group will again sponsor a breakfast on Easter Morning and a coffee sale later in the month for camp scholarships.

Building Committee: Meeting twice monthly your building committee continues to study and make plans for the new church building. Several of the committee helped with the recent survey of the lot and immediate plans call for a sign to placed on the lot and some clearing to be done. The first rough drawings are due from the architect late this month.

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